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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING A LIPOPROTEIN-ACUTE PHASE PROTEIN  
COMPLEX AND PREDICTING AN INCREASED RISK OF SYSTEM FAILURE  
OR MORTALITY

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## SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicants provide the present Supplemental Amendment in response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2004, and further in view of the telephonic interview with the Examiner conducted on April 19, 2005 to discuss the above-referenced application. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Supplemental Amendment and allowance of the present application.

Further, if any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this document.